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CATECHIN COMPOUND COMPOSITION

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2008, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this response.

Support for the Amendments begins on page 7 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this response.